MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING
SANTA MARIA CITY COUNCIL

CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA

FEBRUARY 4, 2014

INVOCATION:
Pastor Mike Coleman of Victory Outreach Church gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:
Councilmember Green led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Pro Tem Boysen announced the Mayor was out of town on business, and she would be participating via teleconference from Gaylord National Hotel and Convention Center, 201 Waterfront Street, National Harbor, MD, 20745, Concierge Desk. Mayor Patino confirmed that a copy of the agenda was posted at the teleconference location, the teleconference location was accessible to the public, and the public would be given the opportunity to participate from that location.

CALL TO ORDER:
Mayor Pro Tem Boysen called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:
MEMBERS PRESENT
Mayor Pro Tem Boysen, Councilmembers Green, Orach, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT
City Manager Haydon, City Attorney Trujillo, Director of Community Development Appel, City Librarian Housel, Deputy City Manager Lara, Police Chief Martin, Fire Chief Orr, Director of Public Works/City Engineer Whitehead, Director of Administrative Services Visé, Business Services Manager Long, and Chief Deputy City Clerk Garietz.

1. PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS:

A. VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH
Jeni Newell was recognized as the Library Volunteer of the Month for January 2014. This item was carried over from the January 21, 2014, City Council meeting at the request of the volunteer. Councilmember Orach presented a certificate and plaque to Ms. Newell for her dedication and commitment to the community and library as a volunteer.

City Librarian Housel thanked Jeni for her service and gave an overview of some of the grants she had been instrumental in obtaining.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD (NOT TO EXCEED A TOTAL OF 15 MINUTES):
William Gloege representing the Thorium Group spoke about climate changes, water issues, and the desalination of sea water. He requested that the City Manager contact IDE Technologies to request a presentation before the City Council regarding a desalination plant similar to that in Carlsbad, CA.

Jeannine Vanier spoke in opposition to the ICE facility and expressed concern about barbed wire surrounding the proposed building.

Suzanne Buhring spoke in opposition to the ICE facility. She objected to building a brand new ICE facility in a residential area when there are still children attending schools in aging trailers and similar conditions to those trailers where the current ICE facility is operating.

Susan Jacobson, a resident of Sommerset Gardens, spoke in opposition to the ICE facility and expressed concerns about the facility being in a residential neighborhood, the proposed weapon storage facility, and concern for decreasing property values due to the facility.

Christy Laschiver, representing Town Center Farmer's Market, spoke about the need for more community support to keep the Farmer's Market open. Low turnout may force them to discontinue the Market on Saturday mornings.

Walter Taylor spoke in opposition of the C-4 McCoy General Plan amendment and Zone change, and the ICE facility. He pointed out the number of people who have stepped up in opposition to the project and he expressed concern that the facility may be beyond the capabilities of the City of Santa Maria.

Dennis Apel spoke about C-4 McCoy General Plan amendment and requested that the item be dropped from the blanket motion for discussion. He also spoke about Operation Streamline and the idea that, while some of the ICE detainees may be criminals, some may also have been caught up in

Operation Streamline and may have been criminalized only by being present on this side of the border.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR:
Councilmember Zuniga requested that Item 3E be pulled for comment and separate vote.

Mayor Pro Tem Boysen indicated that he would recuse himself from voting on Item 3C, Warrants, due to a financial conflict of interest.

Items 3A through 3G (except 3C and 3E) were approved on motion by Councilmember Orach, seconded by Councilmember Green, and carried on the following vote: 5-0

AYES: Councilmembers Green, Orach, Zuniga, Mayor Patino, and Mayor Pro Tem Boysen,
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Consent Calendar Item 3C only was approved on motion by Councilmember Orach, seconded by Councilmember Zuniga, and carried on the following vote: 4-0-1

AYES: Councilmembers Green, Orach, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: Mayor Pro Tem Boysen

3E – 2nd Reading of Ordinance 2014-01 regarding C-4 McCoy GPZ
Councilmember Zuniga thanked Steve Finn, a Supervisory Detention Officer from the Lompoc ICE facility, for his willingness to meet with the community to discuss the ICE project. She expressed concerns about the polarization of the community on the issue, the potential effect having an ICE facility in the City might have on property values and safety of the neighborhood, and the impact the project might have overall on the City. She asked that Councilmembers vote no on the zone change saying she was certain Mr. Blough would be able to find other appropriate tenants.

The City Council conducted the second reading of Ordinance No. 2014-01 by title only to adopt a General Plan Amendment and Zone Change for the C-4 McCoy, 2247 and 2255 South Depot Street and 740 West Century, GPZ-2013-0004, E-2013-0023 rezoning the 2.95 acre site FROM PD/M-1 (Planned Development/Light Manufacturing) on 1.93 acres and PD/CM (Planned Development/Commercial Manufacturing) on 1.02 acres TO PD/CPO (Planned Development/ Commercial Professional Office) zoning district on 2.95 acres, on motion by Councilmember Orach, seconded by Councilmember Green, and carried on the following vote: 4-1-0

AYES: Councilmembers Green, Orach, Mayor Patino, and Mayor Pro Tem Boysen
NOES: Councilmembers Zuniga
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Ordinance No. 2014-01 adopted. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP, GPZ-2013-0004, E-2013-0023, ON ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 111-060-085, 111-060-086, LOCATED AT 2247 & 2255 SOUTH DEPOT STREET AND 740 WEST CENTURY STREET

A. ORDINANCES
The reading in full of all ordinances and resolutions was waived. Ordinances on the Consent Calendar were adopted by the same vote cast at the first reading unless City Council indicated otherwise.

B. MINUTES
The Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of January 21, 2014, were approved as amended.

C. WARRANTS
Warrant Nos. 184220 to 184716 totaling $9,032,828,.52 were ordered ratified subject to having been certified as being in conformity with the budget and having been approved for payment by the Director of Administrative Services. Warrant Nos. 179719, 179989, 180025, 183746, and 183904 were cancelled.

D. PAYROLL
Payment of payroll was ordered ratified subject to having been certified by the proper Department Heads, as shown on records on file in the Department of Administrative Services and having been approved for payment by the Director of Administrative Services.

E. ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2014-01 – pulled and considered for separate vote.

F. CALL FOR BIDS
The City Council gave approval to call for bids on the plans and specifications for Bid No. 2014/06, Alvin Avenue Concrete Improvements.

G. APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATE TO WATER AUTHORITY BOARD
The City Council adopted a resolution approving the appointment of a second alternate (Steve Kahn, Utilities Engineer) to the Central Coast Water Authority (CCWA) Board of Directors.

Resolution No. 2014-09 approved. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPOINTING A SECOND ALTERNATE TO THE CENTRAL COAST WATER AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

REPORT BY CITY MANAGER:
City Manager Haydon reported on items anticipated for the February 18, 2014, City Council meeting to include the Police Department's Volunteer of the Month, a Breeze Route 100 Memorandum of Understanding Amendment, the Quarterly Financial Report for 2nd Quarter ending December 31, 2013, an award of bid for the Dena Avenue & Bay Street Concrete Improvement Project, and a presentation from the Community Development Department regarding potential amendments to the Downtown Specific Plan.

ORAL REPORTS OF COUNCILMEMBERS AND OFFICERS (INCLUDING AB1234 REPORTS):
Councilmember Green reported he attended the Fire Protection Appreciation Dinner, a Police Department Badge Pinning, the grand opening of the new track and field at Allan Hancock College, the 51st Annual City Employee Awards ceremony, and the League of CA Cities Channel Counties Division meeting on Friday, January 31 at Ventana Grill in Pismo Beach.

Councilmember Orach reported that he attended the Fire Protection Appreciation Dinner, and the 51st Annual City Employee Awards ceremony.

Councilmember Zuniga reported that she attended the grand opening of the new track and field at Hancock College, and the 51st Annual City Employee Awards ceremony.

Mayor Patino thanked the Elks Club for a wonderful Fire Protection Appreciation evening. She recently attended the Santa Maria River Bridge Ribbon Cutting ceremony, the new track and field opening at Hancock College, the employee awards dinner, and the badge pinning ceremony at the Police Department. She mentioned she was planning to attend a meeting the next day with Barbara Boxer, Diane Feinstein, and Lois Capps while in Washington, D.C. Other meetings would include the Department of Transportation, the Department of Justice, FEMA, and Economic Development. She thanked Mayor Pro Tem Boysen for filling in for her during the meeting.

Mayor Pro Tem Boysen reported that he attended a Central Coast Water Authority (CCWA) meeting, and was nominated as Chairman of the CCWA Board. He also attended an Investment Oversight Committee meeting with the City.

ADJOURNMENT:
There being no further business to come before the City Council at this time, Mayor Pro Tem Boysen declared the meeting of the City Council adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

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APPROVED:

February 18, 2014
Date

Rhonda M. Garietz
Chief Deputy City Clerk of the City of Santa Maria and ex officio Clerk of the City Council

Jack Boysen
Mayor Pro Tem of the City of Santa Maria

ATTEST:

Rhonda M. Garietz, CMC
Chief Deputy City Clerk